

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace paragraph [0003] with the following amended paragraph:

**[0003]** Digital data can be efficiently propagated through a fiber-optic cable using light signals from light emitting diodes or lasers. To send data on a fiber-optic cable, the data is typically converted from electronic data generated by computers to optical data that can be propagated onto the fiber-optic cable. When data is received from a fiber-optic cable, the data must be converted from optical data to electronic data so that it can be received by a computer.